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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on November 3, 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal.

Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

AMENDMENT

A prior “Order Returning Undocketed Appeal to Examiner” was mailed on October 18, 2007, wherein the Appellant was instructed that corrections were required. A review of the file finds that an Appeal Brief and Amendment was filed canceling claim 7, however, there is no indication on the record that the Examiner has considered the Communication filed October 16, 2008. Appropriate action is required.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) generate a PTOL-90 that considers the Appeal Brief and Amendment filed October 16, 2008; and
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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